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## OVERSEAS TICKER MOSCOW

Whitman Bassow, UP, and Miss Margit Schendel, former instructor of Modern Dance at Hunter College, were married here June 17th in a civil ceremony. *Danny Schorr*, CBS, and Alexei Schiray, Agence France Presse Bureau chief, were witnesses.

### WARSAW

Tony Cavendish, UP Paris, arrived here recently to follow up conditions created by the Poznan riots. He journeyed to Poznan on the 20th. Will be here indefinitely.

### ROME

Dora Jane Hamblin arrived here last week to assume duties as head of Life section of the Time-Life Rome Bureau. Miss Hamblin has been with the Paris and London bureaus, and most recently was a correspondent with the Chicago news bureau.

### FRANKFURT

Thurston Macauley is being transferred to the London bureau of the Stars and Stripes the end of this month, returning to a city he covered before, during and after the war.

### Club Calendar

Tuesday, August 7th — Informal reception for ten Latin American editors visiting the United States. Cocktails 6 p.m., followed by usual buffet supper.

Thursday, lugust 16th - Special preview - United Artists' "Attack," Jack Palance and Eddie Albert. 8:30 p.m. Reservations OPC desk. First come, first served.

Tuesday, August 21st — Open House — Dr. Marguerite Cartwright, correspondent for the Amsterdam News and Pittsburgh Courier, and member of faculty of Hunter College, reports on Nigeria and Gold Coast. Cocktails, 6 p.m., followed by buffet supper.



CAMILLE M. CIANFARRA

# Bigger Bulletin Due Oct. 6

An enlarged and completely restyled weekly Overseas Press Club publication will make its first appearance with the October 6th issue, the editorial board has announced.

The new weekly publication, with a minimum of eight pages an issue, will be restyled to give a more professional appearance and to include format resembling national news-magazines so that advertisers can more easily insert messages. They will be able to use standard plates.

John Wilhelm, chairman of the editorial board, has announced the appointment of Barbara J. Bennett as a full-time managing editor, and Gilbert E. Busch, a prominent club member, as head of a new advertising staff which is already equipped with new rate and data sheets.

"We are enclosing a new rate sheet with this issue, and we trust our members will send it on to their advertising or promotion departments with a recommendation to call us," Busch said.

The Bulletin has also established a permanent office in the press room on the fourth floor, and Miss Bennett is now working there daily.

# CIANFARRA DRAWS COLLEAGUES' PRAISE

# TIMESMAN KILLED IN SHIP CRASH

One of the best known and most respected of foreign correspondents, Camille M. Cianfarra, of the New York Times, was hailed by his colleagues all over the world after news of his death was revealed.

Cianfarra, or "Cian," as he was known to other members of the press, died in the spectacular crash of the ships, Stockholm and Andrea Doria, off the New York coast July 25.

Cianfarra was enroute home from his post as Madrid correspondent of the Times together with his wife; a step-daughter, Linda Morgan; and a daughter Joan, age 8. Joan also was lost, while the other two are recovering in hospitals.

When news of the unprecedented ship collision reached the news desk at the Times, those on duty jokingly remarked, "Well, we ought to have the story from Cian any moment." But it was a story that was not to come.

From his previous posts, among them Mexico City and Rome, messages of condolence poured into the Times. Rafael Delgado Lozano, secretary of the Foreign Correspondents Association of Mexico, to which Cian had belonged from 1942 to 1946, sent one message.

Another came from Jean LaGrange of the Agence France Presse, one from Brazilian Ambassador Ernani Amaral Peixoto, one from U.S. Ambassador to Italy Clare Boothe Luce, and one from Luis Calvo, editor of ABC in Madrid. One was sent from ten men associated with the publication Iberica including Claude G. Bowers.

Cianfarra had become an authority on the Vatican during his service in Italy, and had written two books on the subject. While there he came upon his most famous world-wide newsbeat, the

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### BYRD LAUDS CORRESPONDENTS

Admiral Richard E. Byrd, guest of the OPC at the July 24th Open House, told OPCers: "The members of the American press are the people who have never broken faith with me and whom I have always been able to trust implicitly." Byrd who is Officer in Charge of all U.S. programs relating to the Antarctic, gave a summary of the plans for his forthcoming expedition.

### SOUTH AMERICAN TOUR ARRIVALS

The OPC group touring South America arrives Santiago August 22; Lima August 25; Quito August 31; Panama September 2; and New York September 4.

## **CIANFARRA** (Continued from page 1) discovery of the tomb of St. Peter.

Cian was born in Long Island City, but was taken to Rome at the age of 6 with his father who was sent as a foreign correspondent for The New York American. His father was later UP manager in Rome.

Cian returned to the U.S. to school, and joined the UP in New York in 1933. In 1935 he joined the Rome bureau of the New York Times, was interned during the war, and in 1942 was sent to Mexico City as The Times correspondent until 1946 when he was reassigned to Rome. In 1951 he was named Madrid correspondent.

His wife is the former Jane Stolle Morgan, who has served as Mexican correspondent of The New York Post. Mrs. Cianfarra and her daughter, Linda, who was incredibly transferred from one ship to the other during the collision, are recovering, although they were seriously injured.

### PEOPLE & PLACES...

Fugene Jones, NBC, and his wife, Natalie, are touring South Asia on a combination business-vacation trip. Jones taped his exclusive interviews with President Diem of South Vietnam and Prime Minister Pibulsongram of Thailand for Monitor. They are heading for Burma, India and then Europe.

Arthur T. Jacobs, previously Executive Director of HIAS, the Jewish international migration agency, is now Director of Administration for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the central body of reform Judaism.

Times Associate Editor, Dr. Howard A. Rusk, goes with Dr. Paul Dudley White's five-man mission to Russia to discuss cardiac rehabilitation with Soviet physicians. Prior to the ten-day visit in Russia which begins the last of this month, Rusk will spend three weeks with Eugene J. Taylor of the Times touring Paris, Copenhagen, Geneva and Warsaw to observe rehabilitation programs for the physically handicapped.

Martha L. Weinman, formerly with Collier's Entertainment Staff went with Women's Home Companion as Associate Editor the first of July... Samuel M. Levitas, Executive Editor of The New Leader, leaves September 4th for a six to eight weeks' visit in Norway, England, Germany, Italy and France to assemble material for a series of articles on the effects of the developments in Russia on the Trade Union and Social-Democratic movements throughout Europe.

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The following message was sent to the Editors of Paris-Match and the family of Mara Scherbatoff who was killed in a car accident while covering the Monroe-Miller nuptials.

"At the July 5th meeting, the Board of Governors of the Overseas Press Club of America voted to express their sympathy, as a Club and for the individual members, to the family of Mrs. Mara Scherbatoff, at the untimely death of Mrs. Scherbatoff in the performance of her professional work.

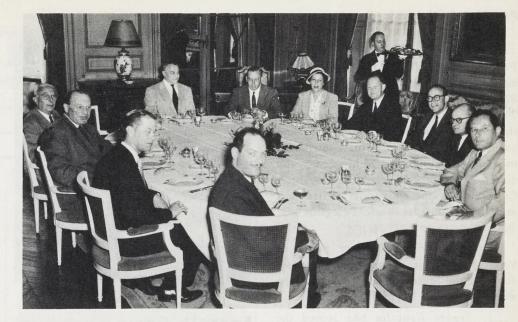
"This expression of sympathy was marked in our records and will be so noted through our Bulletin to be distributed to the entire membership. Sincerely, Wayne Richardson, President."

### LOCHNER GIVES TO OPC FUND

Louis P. Lochner, former OPC president to whom a \$560 "Appreciation Check" was presented two weeks ago by members of the Club, has signed the check over to the Correspondents Fund.

I see by the last couple of issues that the recent trip of American correspondents to Moscow has been well covered in the Bulletin. I'd like to mention that in addition to the correspondents who came directly from the United States, there were several others representing NBC and CBS who came to Moscow from their beats in England and Germany, respectively. CBS had Cyril Bliss and John Tifflin, while NBC's Irving Levine was joined in Moscow by myself and Joe Oexle from Munich.

Some of us spent a rather hectic couple of weeks in Russia, particularly those that not only had to follow Twining around but also were covering the regularly-breaking news stories at the same time. Four American reporters were permitted to accompany Twining on pool arrangement to Stalingrad, a 1,200 mile round trip flight from Moscow. They were: Hanson Baldwin of the New York Times; Vern Haughland of the AP, Hank Walker of Life, and myself. It was a most revealing trip with the Russian people who greeted Twining in Stalingrad being very enthusiastic, especially when they found out that we were Americans. We were applauded and waved at. Crowds gathered quickly when they learned that an American Air Force delegation was in town. General Twining



## LUNCHEON OF OPCers IN PARIS IN HONOR OF AMBASSADOR DOUGLAS DILLON AT THE HOTEL DE CRILLON ON FRIDAY, JULY 6

AT THE LUNCHEON TABLE IN A PRIVATE DINING ROOM OF THE CRILLON: Ambassador DILLON (in front of waiter - then clockwise) Edward M. KORRY, Paul GHALI, George W. HERALD, Bernard S. REDMONT, Press Attache Lowell BENNETT, Curt L. HEYMANN, Paul WINKLER, Philip WHITCOMB, Eugene B. ENGLISH, Jacqueline DE MAUDUIT.

### REPORT FROM BERLIN

By Gerhard S. Stindt

was quite impressed by this.

The worst part of the trip was the return flight in bad weather at 600-700 feet low-level flying for several hours. A number of correspondents stayed on for the July 4th party given by Ambassador Bohlen at his residence, Spasso-House. Bulganin, Krushchev, and almost everyone of the top Red leaders showed up. Both CBS and NBC were present with sound camera equipment, and received a message from Premier Bulganin who toasted in front of cameras and microphones to the health of President Eisenhower. NBC had these films telecast in the United States on their TODAY show only 36 hours later, early Friday morning.

As a correspondent who has been in Russia once before, I cannot report too much of a change in working conditions. Censorship for news and radio reporting still exists, and the red tape is almost as bad as it always was.

There are a few new additions to the Moscow press corps: Ed Stevens, Look's Moscow correspondent, *Lisa Larsen* of Life, and the rest of the regulars include Stan Johnson, Roy Issoyan of the AP,

Henry Shapiro and Whit Bassow of UP, Jack Raymond of New York Times, Bernie Cutler of the New York Herald Tribune, Paul Moore of the Chicago Tribune, Howard Norton of the Baltimore Sun, Dan Schorr of CBS and Irving Levine of NBC.

As far as the food in Russia is concerned, the biggest problem is time. With that I mean the time you spend for the waiter to get to your table or your room, the time it takes to order, the time you wait for your food to get there, and by then you usually have to go out on a story or the food often arrives somewhat lukewarm. Generally speaking, I can advise any correspondent who gets assigned to Moscow to make sure he takes along an iron-cast stomach.

### CLUB HEARS CHARLES MINER

Charles S. Miner, publisher of the Shanghai Evening Post and China representative of the C.V. Starr interests, addressed the Club at its Open House July 31st.

### GRIFFIN AT OPC

Stuart Griffin, Tokyo correspondent for the Bulletin, visited the Club this week with his wife.

### PEOPLE & PLACES (Contd. f. p. 2)

The Arnold Brackmans (he's Staff Feature Writer for Globe Press) have moved into a new house at Dobbs Ferry, 82 Belden Avenue... Edward R. Ellis' 29-volume diary, containing material on the author, his friends, the events and humor of the times, is being contributed to Harvard University. On his death, the diary will be turned over to the Houghton Collection of the University. Ellis is a staff writer on the World-Telegram and Sun.

Ilal Lehrman's Reporter piece of May 3rd about Nasser's "reforms" scooped the State Department by eleven weeks on nixing Egypt's Aswan Dam.

J. Seegar Ileavilin has joined the firm of Dudley-Anderson-Yutzy as an accounts executive with the New York office. He was formerly vice-president of Edward Gottlieb and Associates.

AP Bureau Chief Don lluth and his wife, Anne, passed through San Francisco this week on their way back to Manila. The Huths visited old friends, among them Mrs. Fred Hampson, widow of the late AP bureau chief in Hong Kong, and the Robert Eunsons, formerly of Tokyo, but now residing in San Francisco where Eunson heads the AP staff.

John Denson has been appointed to fill the newly-created post of Editor of Newsweek magazine. He was editorial director... Carl R. Kesler, editorial writer for the Chicago Daily News, died July 2nd of a heart attack.



ROBERT FARRELL

### Farrell Paris

### **Bureau Chief**

Robert E. Farrell has been appointed chief of the Paris news bureau of McGraw-Hill World News. His duties there include coverage for Business Week, Aviation Week and Petroleum Week as well as McGraw-Hill's 34 other publications.

Previous to joining McGraw-Hill, Farrell had four years in the New York and Washington bureaus of the Wall Street Journal. A Nieman fellow at Harvard, he most recently has been writing on economics and business from Paris.

He succeeds John Coppock who resigned from McGraw-Hill to serve as an economic adviser to the Burma government.

### WILLIAMS MEMORABILIA COLLECTED AT OPC

Hudson Hawley is initiating a movement among Club members to collect Wythe Williams memorabilia for donation to the Library.

Hawley plans to give a number of his French language books to the OPC Memorial Library in memory of Williams who "was for so many years a great interpreter" of France to these U.S.A."

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Larry Langley, TWA Public Relations Manager in Great Britain.



Josephine Dowle, Assistant in TWA's Public Relations Office in London.

## LARRY LANGLEY and JO DOWLE

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the London latchstring out at 109 Jermyn St. W.1, TRafalgar 1234, around the corner from Piccadilly.

Jo Dowle, Larry's capable lieutenant, came to TWA ten years ago from the U. S. Air Transport Command where she helped to speed thousands of U. S. servicemen and correspondents around the ETO. Today at London Airport and in town she is similarly helpful to U. S. press people on overseas assignments. Jo's cheerful personality and charm turn

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